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Commends Jaycees

Appomattox County should thank our local Jaycee organization for its fine accomplishments over the past years and the spirit in which these accomplishments were made.

The members of this organization are men who are dedicated to their community, county, town, state and nation and seek throughout the year through their projects to make Appomattox County, State and Nation a better place to live, worship, work, play and educate our children.

Last year they sought through a county wide survey the feelings of its citizens regarding our present education, government, police protection and other areas. I believe this was a very timely project for every dedicated official of our county whether they be educational, government, police and even church would want to know how the citizens feel in these areas, in order to better represent the people.

The Jaycees put forth great efforts to request night meetings of the Board of Supervisors. This is a great concern of these young men and rightly so because many concerned citizens are deprived of the opportunity to appear before the supervisors and express their views without losing time from their jobs.

Each year the Jaycees plan and promote a shopping tour for many children at Christmas. This helps to brighten the lives of these children at Christmas because the Jaycees show the real spirit of Christmas through giving so that others might be blessed and be happy.

These are just some of the many things this organization does for Appomattox County that space will not permit to be mentioned.

Let me say to every Jaycee member, Appomattox County is proud of you. We say thank you for all your efforts. Many dreams have become realities through your fine work.

Just keep up your great work with your enthusiastic spirit and we will see many more realities come to pass in the years to come.

J. Franklin Vaughan,
Co-Publisher

County Will Purchase 4 Voting Machines

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buted through the Virginia Travel Council, some are sent to Williamsburg, they are put in racks at motels and are sent to many school students who request information about our historic town. Through the distribution of these brochures tourists are able to learn just what Appomattox County has to offer people visiting in our area.

The board voted to appropriate $500.00 and a check in this amount will be sent to the Appomattox County Chamber of Commerce.

In further business the board authorized the purchase of a desk and a typewriter for the Clerk's office.

On a motion by O. W. Martin, Jr., Chairman of the Board, the board adopted the proposed County ordinance requiring all licensed motor vehicles in Appomattox County to have a $10.00 County Tag. These tags will be on sale beginning March 1, 1973 at the office of the Treasurer of Appomattox County. The deadline for purchase of the County tag is April 1, 1973.

When a person goes to be issued a County tag he MUST take his copy of Personal Property taxes receipt with him.

All active members of Volunteer Rescue Squads and Volunteer Fire Departments who are residents of Appomattox County will be exempt for one personal vehicle.

At the meeting on Friday the board voted to readopt the ordinance to amend the County Ordinance governing the taking of blood and the analysis of breath to determine the alcoholic content thereof from those persons suspected of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating beverage or other self administered drugs. A full text of the ordinance is on file in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Appomattox County.

Bill Slagle, Town Manager, reported to the board that contracts have been awarded to Tilley Machine and Welding Company of Clarksville, Virginia, for 100 container-type bins at a cost of $180.00 each to be used for County garbage collection.

Minutes of the last meeting were amended to allow Slagle to receive bids on various makes and sizes of equipment needed for the Sanitary Landfill operation.

The board authorized Slagle to purchase a chasis that will accommodate a packer body and to receive bids on a packer body.

Slagle further reported that they hope to have the new Sanitary Landfill Operation ready for a July 1, 1973 deadline. The location of the new landfill will be on the Appomattox County Poor House Farm.

He also reported to the board that the antenna has been put on the new Communications Building and the board authorized Slagle to have the Emergency Communications Building electrically wired.

Cancer Clinic A Success

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two most significant practices to rule out this disease.

Dr. C. G. O'Brien, President of the Appomattox County Unit of the American Cancer Society and local physician, was on hand to assist if needed.

Other assisting in getting persons registered and ready for their examination were members of the board of directors of the local Cancer Unit. They were Mrs. Frank Chuchek, Mrs. Billy Chenault, Mr. Brod Pack, Mrs. Lloyd Hudson, and Mrs. Mary Alma Hudson.

Final reports received Sunday night indicated that the Appomattox Cinic had the largest turn-out of all the six locations.

STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN ALL REGIONAL BAND CONCERT

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hundred students in the Concert Band, and one hundred students in the work-shop band, which also presented a program Sunday afternoon. Students were housed in private homes and meals were taken in the school cafeteria. About a dozen relatives and friends from the county attended the concert.

The group was accompanied on the week-end trip by Mr. Frank Coffey, director of the Appomattox County High School Band.

LINCOLN VISITS ACHS HISTORY CLASSES

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ions. He quickly answered all questions from the students and then proceeded to deliver his entire Gettysburg Address from memory. Lincoln told the students that since 1865 people throughout the nation had been celebrating his birthday and he decided it was time he celebrated, too.

The likeness in the picture is overwhelming but in case you have not recognized Lincoln he was portrayed by Coach George Blanton, History and Economics teacher at Appomattox County High School and Assistant Football Coach.

Coach Blanton informed us that his wife, Judy, had made part of his costume, part of it was borrowed and part of it already belonged to him - but without the help of his wife he could never have gotten his costume together and been able to present such an interesting and informative History class for his students . . . a class they will long remember.

The Pastor Speaks

THE GAME OF LIFE

The Appomattox Raiders is one of the finest basketball teams that I have ever seen. To have such a winning season as the Raiders are enjoying there has to be basketball know-how, training, teamwork, skill, and tremendous motivation. Their coach has done a good job of injecting all of this into these players week by week.

The Raiders train in their gym that is located at Appomattox County High School. They have viewed films, exercised, studied, and practiced the fine art of teamwork. Their basketball experiences are not confined just to that gym. They have to get out into the gyms of this entire area and play the game for real.

Our church house is located at 100 Church Street and is a lot like the training area for the Raiders. At the church house we learn how God expects us to serve him as we study the Bible. We learn from others how they are doing the job. We fellowship with other Christians and develop team spirit. Unfortunately, many limit their Christian activity to their experiences only at the church house. They completely misunderstand the work of the church in organizing training, and preparing Christians for their part in the game of life throughout this entire area.

If we are to have a successful season as we play out on the field of life, we must understand what the church house is for; take advantage of every opportunity to grow, and then in our homes, schools, our places of work, and our leisure time demonstrate the Christian life in our walk and in our talk. On the church team, let's have a good year and run the Christian race as effectively as the Appomattox Raiders play basketball well into this season. I stand ready to help any member of this church or pastors or people of the area who want to be on the team through knowing Jesus Christ as Saviour and through effectively training to get the job done.

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The Sunday School Lesson

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Comment on the International Sunday School lesson for February 18, 1973

God Works Through His People

Scripture: Zechariah 1:1 - 6; 4

"Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the Lord of hosts." - Zechariah 4:6

The call to certain work, particularly God's work, is sometimes overwhelming in the sense that it is far greater than one feels capable of undertaking or willing to undertake. A classic example is Moses, who found what to him seemed weighty objections to doing what God called him to do. Even in secular undertakings, people not infrequently feel inadequate to the magnitude of responsibility and effort required. God's work, as man's, is not always easy, and the effort one makes to do it often invites criticism, something few, if any really, enjoy. There is always a persuasive temptation to avoid work and criticism.

But God has so ordered His world that He has chosen to do His work through people. This means, of course, that people are being continually called to do God's work, maybe on a continuing basis, maybe for a particular project. And people today, just as Moses centuries ago, find all types of excuses to evade the work and the responsibility entailed in the call. "I am not able," is a prevalent response.

An important work for God was being left undone in Jerusalem in the latter part of the sixth century, B. C. About 520 B. C., two prophets, Haggai and Zechariah, rebuked the people for their neglect of this work and challenged them to do it. To this rebuke and challenge the people responded and under the leadership of the governor, Zerubbabel, and the high priest, Joshua, rebuilt the Temple.

One reason the people had not rebuilt the Temple, where they could assemble for worship and offer the sacrifices according to the ancient ritual, may have been the realization that they lacked the resources to build such a structure as Solomon had built in the time of Israel's greatest prosperity and power. The people were the descendants of those who had been left when Nebuchadnezzar captured Jerusalem and probably some survivors, described then as the poorest of the land, and those who had returned from exile through the favor of King Cyrus of Persia. The work of reconstruction was in itself overwhelming, and to it were added the burdens of famine and economic depression.

Despite these tremendous obstacles, the challenge came to do God's work which needed to be done then. To a faint-hearted and exhausted people, Zechariah spoke God's message, sent specifically to the civil leader, Zerubbabel, a timely message for God's people in every age, "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit."

God indeed commits His work in the world to people, but He does not leave them to do it alone and in their own strength. If that were the case, the work would truly be overwhelming, and man would fall and faint under the burden. But God gives strength, notably of spirit and adequate of body, to people to do work He calls them to do. It is the inspiration and sustenance of the believer, realization that God does not him in the tasks he undertakes for God.

Zechariah's and Haggai's contemporaries did not build the second Temple in their own might and power, for they had very little of either. The Spirit of God they received to the challenge of the prophets and did the best they could with the resources they had. But they did build the Temple to which the people could come for worship and sacrifice, as God had commanded them. For more than four centuries this Temple was the center of Israel's worship, until it was replaced it with the structure which was the object of admiration in its day, the Temple to which Jesus came from infancy to crucifixion.

As people today qualify for the challenges of great undertakings, God speaks to them. He did to Zerubbabel in the time Zechariah, "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit." In the Spirit of God people can accomplish much for His glory and their own good.

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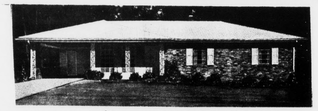

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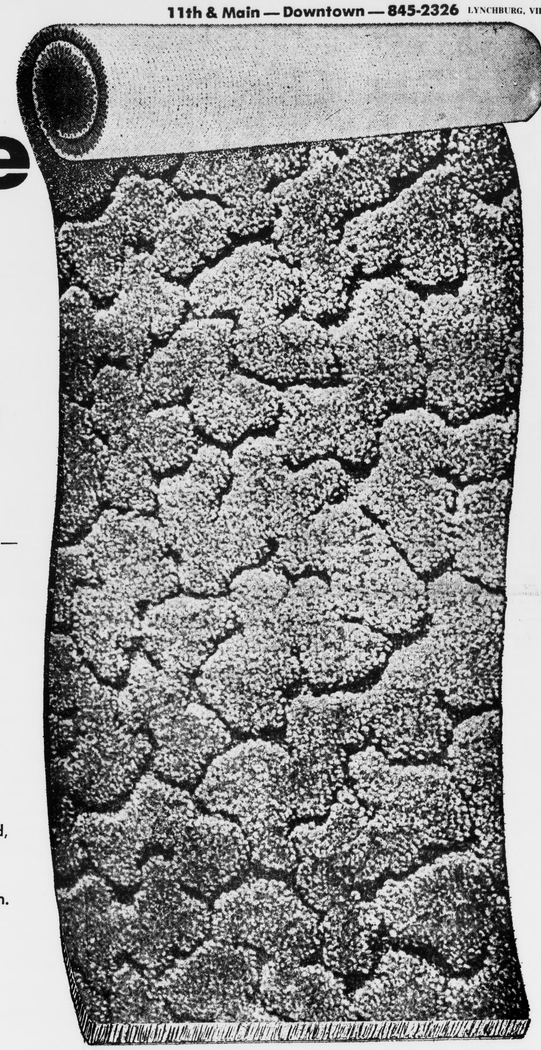

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